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FORT BENNING – Lt. Col. David Priatko will assume command of the 2nd Battalion, 19th Infantry Regiment, Infantry Training Brigade from Lt. Col. Ricardo J. Mitchell during a change of command ceremony at 9 a.m. June 26 on Kanell Field.

Priatko is a 1989 graduate of the United States Military Academy at West Point.

He is a veteran of Operation Iragi Freedom I and Operation Iragi Freedom III.

Priatko arrived at Fort Benning in June, 2006 and has been serving as the deputy commander of the 192nd Infantry Brigade.

He is no stranger to the 198th. As a captain, he commanded two basic training companies while the unit was designated the Infantry Training Brigade. Mitchell has been assigned to Saudi Arabia.

The 2nd Battalion, 19th Infantry Regiment, is one of six battalions that make up the 198th Infantry Brigade. These battalions conduct 14-week cycles of Infantry basic training, providing instruction in basic soldier and Infantry skills.

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